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## **Police Involved Shooting**

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

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**The investigation into the police involved shooting that occurred on April 10, 2016, has been completed by the Firearms/Police-Involved Death Review Board. The actions of Officer Glenn D. Thivener #1357 & Lieutenant Paul Ohl #5064 are found to be within the Columbus Division of Police Use of Firearms Policy.**

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## **Officer Shot During SWAT Barricade**

A Columbus Police officer was wounded and is in critical condition following a standoff with an armed gunman on the city's north side.

On April 9, 2016, at approximately 11:34 pm, S.W.A.T. officers attempted to serve a felony arrest warrant on Lincoln Rutledge, M/W/44, at his apartment located at 14 W. California Avenue. S.W.A.T. officers served the warrant due to his recent erratic behavior and access to weapons.

S.W.A.T. officers approached the apartment and were fired upon as the suspect shot multiple times through a first floor window. One officer, positioned in an armored vehicle, was struck and critically injured. Another officer returned fire at the suspect. The wounded officer was transported to The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center in critical but stable condition.

Lincoln Rutledge remained barricaded in the apartment and kept officers at bay for hours, despite efforts to have him surrender. At one point flames and smoke were seen coming from inside the structure. Columbus Fire personnel were at the scene but could not extinguish the flames due to safety concerns of additional gunfire.

Lincoln Rutledge was eventually taken into custody at approximately 7:15 am. He was transported to Riverside Methodist Hospital in non-life-threatening condition with what appeared to be a bullet wound and smoke inhalation. Rutledge is in custody on an Aggravated Arson warrant in addition to being charged with Attempted Murder. Additional charges are pending further investigation.

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